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Sir:

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- 1. Declaration for Patent Application executed by inventor, William G. Noles;
- 2. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted; and
- 3. Check in the amount of \$130 for declaration surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e).

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Respectfully submitted,

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